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Applicant: Francois Spertini

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Request for Continued Examination Under 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

Response (11 pages);
Check # 15153 for \$370.00 (RCE); and
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Pursuant to 35 USC §1.114, Applicants herein request continued examination of Application No. 09/506,978. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request (this document); 2) a submission; and 3) a fee. The submission provided herein is a Response. Such a submission is a proper submission in accordance with 37 CFR §1.114 (c). With such a timely filed request, submission, and fee, Applicants believe that the amendment should be entered and the finality of the Action should be withdrawn. A response to this action is due on or before December 23, 2002.

Applicant believes that no additional fees are due with this submission. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 20349-543 (OTT-43). A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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